

### American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.—

The next written examination and review of case histories of Group B applicants by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology will be held in various cities in the United States and Canada on Saturday, November 6, 1937.

The next general examination for all candidates (Groups A and B), will be held in San Francisco, California, on June 13 and 14, 1938, immediately prior to the American Medical Association meeting.

Application blanks and booklets of information may be obtained from Dr. Paul Titus, Secretary, 1015 Highland Building, Pittsburgh (6), Pennsylvania. Applications for these examinations must be filed in the secretary's office not later than sixty days prior to the scheduled dates of examination.

### Doctor Worth \$108,000 To Begin Career, Rating.—

United Press ditpatch follows:

New York, July 14.—After eight years of research, a Columbia University professor came to the conclusion today that a doctor is worth \$108,000 as an investment when he starts his profession, a lawyer \$105,000, and a farm laborer \$10,400.

Professor Harold F. Clark, in charge of educational economics at Teachers College, undertook his study in an attempt to develop means of guiding students more accurately into paying professions.

He concluded that a banker could invest safely \$108,000 in a budding doctor on a promise of receiving all of the physician's future earnings. The average life span of a doctor is forty-two years, it was estimated. On a similar basis, Clark figured the following "safe" investments in other professions:

Dentistry, \$95,400; engineering, \$95,300; architecture, \$82,500; college teaching, \$69,300; social work, \$51,000; journalism, \$41,500; ministry, \$41,000; library work, \$35,000; public school teaching, \$29,700; skilled trades, \$28,600; nursing, \$28,300; unskilled labor, \$15,200; farming, \$12,500.

**"Wonder Woman" in Pasadena.**—The following news item has been sent in by a member, with suggestion that it be printed:

See this WONDER WOMAN of 83. She's a living example of pep, youth, and radiant health. ———, author, world traveler, scientist, who will show you the way to the fountain of youth, life, energy, and vitality. *Six Free Radiant Health Lectures.* Twice daily, July 19, 20, 21. Monday, July 19, 1:30 p.m.: "Old at Forty or Young at Eighty—Which?" Monday, July 19, 8 p.m.: "How to Conquer Fear, Worry and Timidity." Tuesday, July 20, 1:30 p.m.: "The Four Causes of Disease." Tuesday, July 20, 8 p.m.: "How to Become a Human Dynamo or Prosperity Magnet." Wednesday, July 21, 1:30 p.m.: "Rhythmic Solar Plexus Breathing—the Elixir of Life." Wednesday, July 21, 8 p.m.: "The Secret of Youth, Pep and Charm."

**Would You Like to Know**—How to feel peppy, twenty-four hours a day; How to increase your business efficiency a thousand fold; How to develop the elasticity of youth; How to take years—from your personal appearance; How to capture the enthusiasm and zest of youth; How to develop a magnetic personality; How to eat scientifically—and rebuild a complete new body; How to get a quick pick-up—without the aid of stimulants; How to sleep like a child; How to awaken in the morning with pep, interest, enthusiasm; How to reduce your weight—without fasting; How to get rid of corns, bunions, and fallen arches—and step out with the grace and the lightness of youth; How to throw away your glasses—and read with ease; How to outwit age completely—and live joyously, radiantly and gloriously—regardless of youth birthdays.

**Something New**—This is the most amazing course of lectures ever given in this city. Mrs. ———, herself is a striking example of rejuvenation. Twenty years ago she was old and decrepit. Today, she is radiant, dynamic, beautiful. She has inspired thousands to health, happiness, and success—Why not you? You owe it to yourself not to miss a single lecture. All lectures are free but come early to get good seats. Doors open at 12:30 and at 7 p. m. Shakespeare Club House, Pasadena.

## LETTERS

### Concerning Association Secretary's Address to the California State Nurses Association.

THE CALIFORNIA STATE NURSES ASSOCIATION, INC.

Dear Doctor Warnshuis:

As Secretary for the California State Nurses Association's Committee on Public Information and at Headquarters, I wish to convey the official appreciation of the organization for your fine address at the Publicity Luncheon on Friday.

We were happy to have you present as the official representative of a professional organization whose interests are so closely allied to ours.

I need not tell you that we were deeply interested in your message, as the attention of the nurses during your presentation must have been ample evidence of this fact.

It is characteristic of the preparation of registered nurses to give their loyal support toward upholding the standards of the medical profession. Registered nurses recognize that it is dangerous for public welfare to have inadequately prepared individuals attempt to prescribe for human ills.

We trust that the nursing organization may have the full support of the members of the medical profession in upholding standards of nursing care as we, too, suffer from pseudo-practitioners.

Thanking you both officially and personally, I am

Cordially yours,

STELLA M. FREIDINGER,  
Acting Director at Headquarters.

### Concerning Venereal Disease Reports.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

**To the Physicians of California:**—The venereal disease control program is now under way. The first objective is as follows:

EVERY CASE OF VENEREAL DISEASE TO BE REPORTED

The California State Board of Health on January 2, 1937, altered the reporting of venereal diseases to conform in general with the recommendations of the United States Public Health Service.

A new card is enclosed herewith. You are asked to destroy all the old type cards you may have. Additional cards may be obtained by placing a check, or the number desired, in the square placed on the card for this purpose.

Syphilis and gonorrhea are reportable by law, failure to report constituting a misdemeanor.

In reporting, fill out the card, place it in the envelope which is provided and which requires no postage, and address the envelope to your local health officer or to the State Department of Public Health, State Building, San Francisco. These reports are confidential records and are to be handled as such by health departments. You will note that they need not reveal the identity of your patient.

The information requested on the card is essential in order that we may know the incidence and distribution of these diseases. This information is fundamental in any control program.

Venereal disease control is dependent upon coöperative efforts. The full support of the practicing physician is of first importance. This support begins with the reporting of all cases. May we urge your coöperation in this respect?

In addressing the recent Washington Conference on Venereal Disease Control, on the subject of coöperation of the private physician, Dr. Udo J. Wile, Professor of Dermatology and Syphilology, University of Michigan Medical School, said in part:

The whole-hearted coöperation of the private physician in the program of national control of a communicable disease is not only an imperative necessity but carries with it an obligation of public and private responsibility. In assuming the care of a case of communicable disease, the physician assumes a dual responsibility. He is obligated to the patient in the first place, to carry through with him until such time as he ceases to be a public health problem. His second responsibility, a more public one, is, by strict adherence to existing regulations, to carry out such measures as are prescribed by health authorities so that